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1. POLISH JOURNALISTS' TROGRAM AT NATO. WE SHARE EVERYONE ELSE'S PUZZLEMENT. AS WE REPORTED EARLIER TODAY (WARSAW 5110) WE HAVE HAD TWO MORE CONVERSATIONS WITH THE FRENCH EMBASSY CONCERNING THIS MATTER, AND WE THINK WE HAVE A BETTER IDEA OF WHAT IS BOTHERING THEM. IN ANY EVENT, WE WOULD RATHER SEE THE WHOLE MATTER RESOLVED IN EMBASSY PARIS AND USNATO AND WOULD PREFER TO DROUR DIALOGUE WITH THE FRENCH EMBASSY HERE.

2. RYSZARD FRELEK. WE TOO HAVE HEARD RUMORS ABOUT WACLAW PIATWOSKI REPLACING FRELEK AS CHIEF OF THE CC FOREIGN DEPARTMENT, AND PRESS PLAY COVERING RECENT FOREIGN VISITORS (E.G. PORTUGUESE PARTY LEADER CUNHAL) HAS FEATURED PIATKOWSKI PROMINENTLY. HAVING SAID THAT, HOWEVER, FRELEK DID NOT LET ON TO THE AMBASSADOR DURING THEIR MEETING EARLIER THIS WEEK THAT HIS POSITION IS IN ANY WAY ALTERED. HE WOULD HAVE HAD NO REASON TO
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DO SO, OF COURSE. WE WILL SNOOP AROUND, THOUGH, AND TRY TO VERIFY WHAT, IF ANYTHING, IS HAPPENING.

3. SAPSOWSKI. THE AMBASSADOR AND I HAD LUNCH WITH SPASOWSKI YESTERDAY, BUT NOTHING PARTICULARLY IMPORTANT EMERGED. THE TWO AMBASSADORS AGREED TO GET TOGETHER AGAIN LATER BEFORE SPASOWSKI RETURNS TO WASHINGTON,

WHEN HE WILL HAVE COMPLETED MOST OF HIS
CONSULTATIONS.

4. FINANCIAL SCENE. YOU WILL SEE THE LONG CABLE LARRY
BUTCHER DID AS HIS SWAN SONG. WE WOULD ENCOURAGE DE-
PARTMENTAL AND OTHER OFFICERS IN WASHINGTON TO GET TO-
GETHER (AND WITH CB IF OTHER DUTOES PERMIT)
NEXT WEEK TO DISCUSS THIS CABLE FURTHER IF ANYONE IS
INTERESTED.

5. MILTON ROSE TITLE. BY PER MESSAGE (STATE 152528) THE
DEPARTMENT SEEMS INTENT ON GIVING MILTON ROSE THE TITLE
OF COMMERCIAL ATTACHE. WE THINK THIS IS WRONG, SINCE
WE ALREADY HAVE ONE COMMERCIAL ATTACHE (SCHRAGE).
PLEASE ASK GEORGE BOUTIN TO WEIGH IN WITH PER AND HAVE
ROSE DESIGNATED A SECRETARY. THIS OF SOME URGENCY,
SINCE ROSE NEEDS A LEGITYMACJA.

6. PLEASE ASK JACK TO CALL DAVID AND TELL HIM I WILL ARRIVE
IN WASHINGTON NATIONAL AIRPORT ON SUNDAY, JUNE
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